

SECRETARY ROOT PRAISES ROOSEVELT

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Down Power.

OUR TREATY OBLIGATIONS.

Should be Rightly Observed—Federal
Government Should Extend Its
Protection to Foreigners.

New York, March 9.—The members of the Republican club and the alumni of Hamilton college gathered at a banquet tonight to do honor to Elihu Root.

Senator Root, replying to eulogistic speeches, referred to the change of administration at Washington.

"I call your attention," he said, "to the almost sublime spectacle, the peaceful transfer of the great powers of government."

"The simple ceremony of last Thursday accomplished a result that in days gone by was made by bloodshed and strife. We may congratulate each other upon the fact that in obedience of the unwritten law that sets a limit to the chief magistrate, a Republican president who had another term in his grasp and the continuance of power within his control, has voluntarily laid down the power that another might take it up."

Mr. Root referred to President Taft's inaugural address, declaring one thing that appealed especially to him was that this nation might enforce its obligations of treaties within its own territories.

"As our trade, wealth and travel in foreign lands increase," he said, "we are rubbing elbows with all nations of the world. We are becoming involved in more mutual relations with every other country. We must respect the rights of trade, travel and business. Our constitutional government gives the federal government the right to protect our treaties. Our Congress, through the federal courts, respects the rights and property of Europeans and Asiatics throughout the United States. A foreigner can sue to recover debts and demand the protection of his rights. Our Congress, however, has not given the federal courts the right of criminal jurisdiction. His life and liberty are entrusted to the protection of the states, and when mobs maltreat innocent foreigners and the sacred rights of treaties are set at naught, our government is bound to answer for its failure to keep its promises. I hope New York will exercise its influence to have our national government make laws to keep its word and enforce its promises."

Mr. Root also mentioned the Republican leadership in this state.

"Your president was good enough to make the observation that I should prove to be the leader of the Republican party in this state," said Mr. Root. "I disclaim any ambition to become what is ordinarily called a leader of the party, but I believe in organization of the party which involves leadership, and I should be glad if the

exercise of the powers that have come to me through the kindness and good opinion of my fellow citizens of my native state should enable me to provide an effective, successful, genuine and harmonious organization of my party in this state.

"I should like to see the great responsibilities of that party which assumes to conduct our government kept in mind; to see the great principles which make the Republican party what it is ever kept in mind before every member and office of the party. I should like to see the effective treatment of the great issues that are before the people the supreme object of the organization of the party."

RUSSIAN-ARMENIAN WAR IN LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Cal., March 10.—A Russian-Armenian race war in Los Angeles broke out last night and resulted in a pitched battle, participated in by about 50 men and women of the two races, near the Salt Lake depot. One Armenian may die and two others are in the hospital, while several of the Russians were badly used up. Peter Vazarian was hit on the head by a brick and his skull was fractured. The feud has been at an acute stage for four weeks and fights have occurred nightly. The Armenians claim that the Russians are always the aggressors. The fight was participated when a number of Armenians were on their way to bid good bye to several fellow countrymen who were returning to Europe. The Russians attacked the procession and the fight followed. The Armenians were outnumbered and were badly worsted.

DECEMBER AND MAY MARRY.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 10.—December and May were wedded yesterday at Santa Monica in the persons of Mrs. Electa Hawkins, 21, and Varium Westcott, 22. Westcott is an inmate of the soldiers' home at Sawtelle, and so is Mrs. Westcott's father. For some time the aged veteran had courted the pretty woman he married yesterday. Although nearly four times the age of his bride, Westcott is exceedingly active and enjoys robust health.

GOMEZ NOT ELIGIBLE.

Manila, March 10.—Gov. Gen. James Smith has decided that Dominador Gomez, the labor leader recently elected a member of the municipal board, is ineligible on the grounds that he is not a citizen of the Philippines and has been convicted of a crime. Gomez was identified with the radical Filipino party which was led by Simon Villa at the late municipal election. More recently he has been the leader of the dock strike which has been in progress for some time.

TWO KILLED IN STREET DUEL.

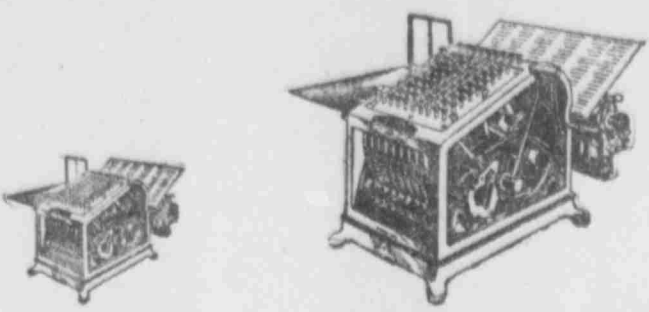
Emporia, Va., March 10.—In a street duel here late last night J. Thomas Bramley, a police sergeant was shot and instantly killed and P. B. Sheffield, a cotton mill operator, was so badly wounded that he died later.

RUTH BRYAN LEAVITT.

She Secures a Divorce on the Grounds
Of Non-Support.

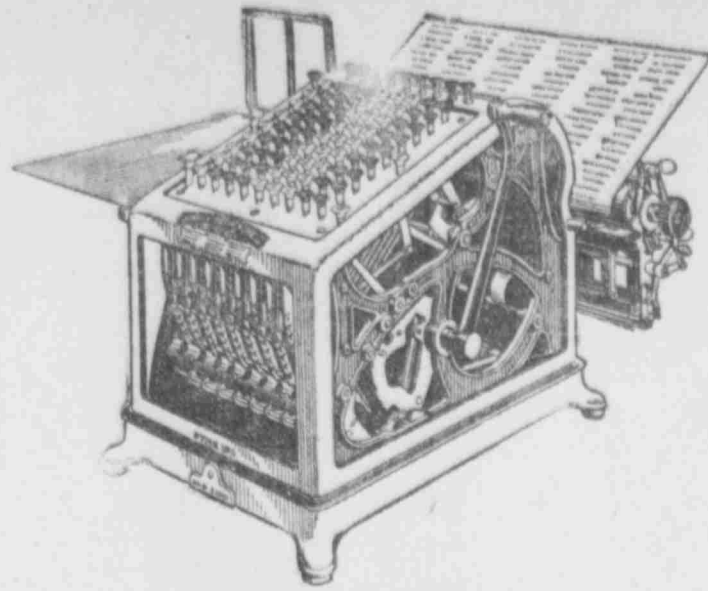
Lincoln, Neb., March 9.—Ruth Bryan Leavitt, eldest daughter of William J. Bryan, was this afternoon granted a divorce from W. H. Leavitt. Mrs. Leavitt and her mother appeared in the court of Judge Cornish and both alleged that Leavitt had not contributed to the support of his wife. There was no defense. Mrs. Leavitt was granted the custody of the two children.

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Ascertain His Stand on the
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Firmly Impressed That He Will Not
Oppose a Change, and They
Will Not Filibuster.

Washington, March 9.—President Taft was given an opportunity today to declare himself on the "insurgent" movement to revise the house rules. Diplomatically, he sidestepped announcing how he stood, but in doing so he missed luncheon and about half of the concert of Mme. Bames, which he was scheduled to attend in company with Mrs. Taft and their guests.

Representative Payne of New York, chairman of the committee on ways and means, sought the support of Mr. Taft for the existing order of things, and the "insurgent" case was advocated by Representatives Gardner of Massachusetts, Madison of Kansas and Nelson of Wisconsin.

The visit of the "insurgent" delegation consumed most of the afternoon. The three insurgents heard it charged that Mr. Taft intended to join hands with the house organization in the interest of getting the tariff bill through quickly. Greatly disturbed, they hurried to the White House to urge Mr. Taft to take a neutral position and leave the fighting to them. When they came out of the executive offices, Mr. Gardner declared, with an exhibition of confidence, that the insurgents were no longer in a compromising mood.

"We are firmly impressed that Mr. Taft is not opposed to a change of the rules," said Mr. Gardner, "but is a little fearful that a contest now would

interfere with the passage of the tariff bill."

Mr. Madison tried to show the president there was no such danger in the right they are conducting. He said he had told Mr. Taft that he and his colleagues were not disposed to interfere with continuance of the present ways and means committee and that he thought he could promise that no objection would be made to the continuance of the old committee on any subject on which the president feels inclined to ask legislation at the present session.

The "insurgents" also promised that they would not filibuster against legislation if they made their fight and lost. By these conciliatory promises, Mr. Madison said, he did not mean that the fight would be abandoned if lost now. He said the "insurgents" would wait until the proper time to renew it.

Mr. Payne was with the president only a few minutes. When he left he said he had told Mr. Taft that the tariff bill would be ready to report on the first day of the session, but that he could not prophesy what would happen if the present chaotic conditions in the house were to continue. Several times during the conference Mrs. Taft sent word that she was ready to start for the Bames concert, and was finally compelled to leave without Mr. Taft.

No announcement was made at the White House about the conference and nothing was given out about the first meeting of the cabinet today.

NANCY WILSON, NOTORIOUS MURDERESS, DIES IN PRISON

Leavenworth, Kan., March 9.—Mrs. Nancy Wilson, generally known as Mrs. Stafflack, one of the most notorious women prisoners in the Kansas penitentiary, died of pneumonia today. Mrs. Wilson was 70 years old.

Mrs. Wilson realized her serious condition and asked that her son, George Stafflack, a life-time convict, and Charles Wilson, her second husband, be allowed to see her. They were taken over by the prison officials and told they could remain with her until the morning.

George Stafflack, the son, nearly collapsed when brought to his mother's cell. He asked if something could not be done so that his mother might die outside the penitentiary. The mother, who was suffering from pneumonia, was permitted to die outside. The prison officials told her they could do nothing.

Mrs. Wilson was serving a life sentence to serve a 21-year sentence for murder in the second degree. At the time two of her sons were brought in under life sentences, a third son to serve seven years and Charles Wilson, her second husband, to serve 2 years.

One of the sons serving a life sentence died four years ago. The third son served out his sentence, and it is reported that he is now serving a term in the Missouri penitentiary.

The Stafflack family lived near Galena, Kan., and were accused of numerous atrocious murders. They ran a hotel, and it was alleged that they murdered guests who had money and threw the bodies into a deserted mine. A number of skeletons were found on the premises. The Stafflack family are generally ranked next to the Benders in the notorious Kansas murders.

A PHYSICIAN'S WILL.

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Toronto, Ont., March 10.—In the will of Dr. Daniel Young of this city who died on Feb. 22, there has been found this peculiar clause:

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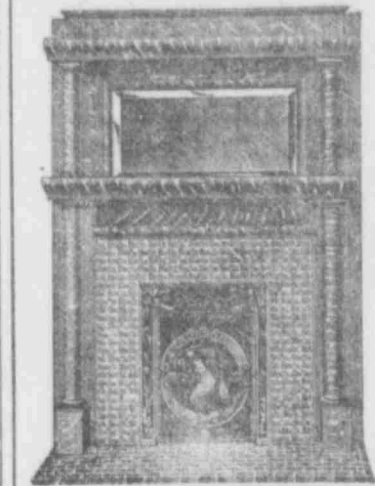
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